

**MINUTES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

CR-07-00018

May 31, 2007
8:50 a.m.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA -V- LIN, BING XIAN

PRESENT: HON. ALEX R. MUNSON, CHIEF JUDGE PRESIDING
K. LYNN LEMIEUX, COURTROOM DEPUTY
SANAE N. SHMULL, COURT REPORTER
LIN, BING XIAN, DEFENDANT
COLIN THOMPSON, COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT
ERIC O'MALLEY, ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY

PROCEEDINGS: INITIAL APPEARANCE/ARRAIGNMENT

Defendant appeared with court-appointed counsel, Attorney Colin Thompson. Government was represented by Eric O'Malley, AUSA.

Government moved to **unseal** this case. Court so ordered.

Defense stated that they were prepared to go forward with the Arraignment.

Jean Shi was sworn as interpreter/translator of the Mandarin language.

Defendant was sworn and examined as to his understanding of his constitutional rights, his right to trial and his understanding of the proceedings.

Defendant was advised that if he did qualify for a Court Appointed counsel that one would be appointed for him. Defendant stated he wanted the Court to appoint counsel for him. Court, after review of the defendant's financial affidavit, appointed Attorney Colin Thompson Nunc Pro Tunc.

Defendant waived reading of the indictment and pled **NOT GUILTY** to the charges against him. Court set jury trial for **JULY 2, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.** Pretrial motions shall be filed by **June 14, 2007.**

Government moved that the defendant be held without bail pending trial. No argument from the Defense at this time and reserved the right for a motion for bail at a later time.

Court granted the Government's motion, without prejudice, and remanded the defendant into the custody of the U.S. Marshal until further order of the Court.

Adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

/s/K. Lynn Lemieux, Courtroom Deputy